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quits as NSSA executive director

By Kevin McAndrews

Michael-Burk, executive director for the Nebraska State Student Association (NSSA), has announced his resignation to the Board of Directors effective August 15.

The announcement came after Burk was evaluated by board members sometime after July 27, at the end of his six-month probationary period. In his resignation letter he said that after a long discussion with board members, they all felt the NSSA would "prosper better with an executive director who is better acquainted with the political atmosphere of the state of Nebraska." Burk was an executive board member for the Pennsylvania State Student Association before applying for the job as director for the NSSA.

The NSSA gained support from Nebraska state colleges through student elections.

The NSSA will lobby for educational issues in the legislature at the state capitol. UNL, UNO, Peru State, and Wayne State constitute the universities with-

Burk said his reasons for resigning were that "my style of organizing and my political style do not suit the present needs of the NSSA."

A minimum of one year serving as executive director for the NSSA was established. However, Burk said if he waited until February to resign it would hurt the NSSA because the Unicameral would be well into legislation.

He advised the board members to allow the next executive director "more flexibility" in the running of the organization. Burk said he plans to continue organizing in Pennsylvania or in Washington for the United States Student Association (USSA).

Deb Chapelle, legislative assembly director for the NSSA, was appointed interim director during a phone conference by the Board of Directors. She will assume her duties Aug. 15.

Chapelle said she will work with Burk in order to make the necessary transition. "I'm going to get the nuts and bolts of the organization in gear," said Chapelle.
There have been differing views within the Board of

Directors on some issues.

Burk felt the NSSA should hire a professional lobbyist to handle educational issues in the Unicameral. Other board members want to hire a student intern who would have more time to research educational issues.

The board cannot afford a fulltime legislative director and they feel a student would establish more concern and close personal contact.

Another conflicting issue within the leadership of the NSSA is joining the USSA. Burk had said he would like to see the NSSA become affiliated with the USSA.

The board of directors said that the USSA is more involved with social issues (abortion and the draft). The board would rather concentrate on educational issues affecting students as a whole.

Burk denies these issues led to his resignation. He said there was not a conflict within the leadership but rather a mutual agreement that the NSSA would be better off without him.

Council selects Weber's aide ,

Mary Williamson, executive assistant to the chancellor, was recently appointed to a cable television advisory committee by the Omaha City Council. "I have been concerned all along that

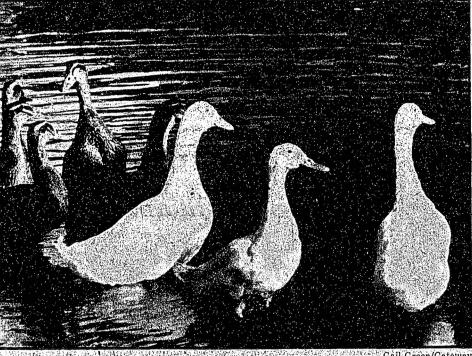
whoever got the franchise would do what they said they would," said Williamson, who was a member of a group that unsuccessfully applied for the franchise awarded to Cox Cable in August of 1980. She is also a former assistant professor of communication.

Williamson said she isn't sure whether or not Cox has been fulfilling its contract.

"I don't know. I hope they are," she said. "I'd have to go back and look at the proposal."

Rates will be one issue the committee will advise the council on However, according to Tim Kenney, assistant city attorney, the committee will not have to worry about rate hikes until August of

"The contract does provide for a rate freeze," he said. Kenney added that it is the city's opinion that the three-year (continued on page 2)



Duck conference

These ducks are luckier than people, at least in one instance. They get to swim and float and do whatever else ducks do in the waters of the Central Park Mall. Here they're shown getting their webbed feet wet.

Use of house is up to regents

The Board of Regents will determine the fate of a \$230,000 house, given to the University of Nebraska Foundation. at their Sept. 10 meeting.

Located at 6445 Prairie Ave., the colonial style home was donated to the university by Mrs. Phebe Miller in September, 1977.

The regents will decide whether the house should become the UNO chancellor's residence or should be used to house visiting lecturers at UNO.

According to Edward Hirsh, vice-president of the University Foundation, the house cannot be used for academic purposes because of its residential location.

Though the house was officially given to the university in 1977, Mrs. Miller continued to reside there until her death June 18, 1982, he said.

Morris Miller, son of Phebe and Max Miller, said his parents "always had a warm spot in their hearts" for the university.

Miller said the idea of donating the house to the university originated as he (continued on page 2)

Breaking down tradition

Organization will support women engineers

By Joe Clauson

A new student chapter of the Society of Women sometimes the problems incers (SWE) is now being organized at UNO, said encountered are due to Engineers (SWE) is now being organized at UNO; said Betty Wisner, the faculty advisor for the chapter,

Wisner, who has taught in the Industrial Systems Technology Department for the last three years, hopes that the chapter will begin to have meetings by the fall semester. "We're still in an organizational state," she

According to Wisner the UNO chapter of the national organization is being developed, in part, to encourage more women to enter the engineering field "by providing role models" through the professional chapters of SWE, and increasing the student's awareness of opportunities in the field.

Wisner said that there are not too many women in the engineering field, and added that UNO's association with the professional chapter will enable the female students to become acquainted with engineering, creating a positive influence,

Male field

She added that another purpose in creating a student chapter is to give support to its members by discussing problems encountered on the job, and to look for solutions.

There is always a problem, she said, in being a minority in a job field, which includes being a woman in the predominately male field of engineering.

Wisner claimed that being new in the field, although she also said that one particular problem that women have in engineering is due to tradition and the roles that women have played in the past.

Sometimes, she said, "it is difficult for women to be assertive towards men." In the past, it was proper

Wisner for women to be passive, thereby making it difficult for them today to fill a different role, she explained.

Look sideways One possible solution to this type of problem is "assertiveness training," she said. Wisher said she is considering offering the training through the chapter.

Another problem in dealing with past tradition which might be encountered on the job, she said; is that men have always; been more mechanically inclined: She said they might look sideways at a woman trying to fill that role on the job.

When questioned about the possible biases against females on the job, or when hiring, Wisner said "there might be some prejudice; not thinking so is looking

through rose-colored glasses."

The experiences she has had on the job this summer. writing programs for numerically controlled punch presses for the Millard Manufacturing Corporation, have been, in her words, "very positive."

'I love em!

As to the acceptance of the female students in the classroom, Randy Reed, a junior-to-be, majoring in engineering, said, "Women engineers? I love 'em!"

Reed, who guesses his views are typical of the majority of UNO engineering students, claims that he has not heard of any complaints about women in engineering from other students or any other source:

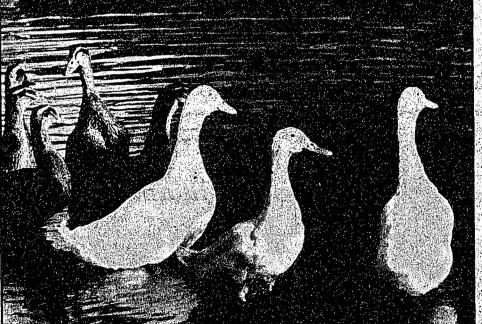
"There are plenty of jobs out there waiting for engineering graduates, so there's really not that great a deal of competition," he said.

Reed said he has heard only good things about female engineering students:

"It's boring having a class with 30 guys and no girls," he said.

According to the University Relations Department; 99 females enrolled in UNO's College of Engineering and Technology last spring. This number represents just over 11 percent of the total enrollment of 1:144.

Wisner hopes that a majority of those 99 females takes advantage of the support and services: provided, by the SWE.



niversity plans to broadcast

Thirteen classes will be broadcast via closed circuit television by the University of Nebraska this fall.

"We're booked real heavily in the fall," said Don Peterson, director of broadcasting. He said the only times still available are on Friday nights and on

Five classes will originate out of Lincoln, four from room 128 in UNO's Engineering Building, and four will be broadcast from the Medical Center.

The classes broadcast in Omaha will be transmitted to Lincoln. The classes in Lincoln will be sent to Omaha and the Medical Center will broadcast its classes to Lincoln.

Several years

This type of instruction began in the spring of 1981 with one criminal justice class, said Petersen. John Farr, assistant vice chancellor for academic

affairs, said the Medical Center has been using the method for several years.

An advantage to the system, said Farr, is that fewer teachers are able to instruct more students. He said this should help save money since fewer instructors will be needed in highly specialized fields, such as engineering.

Farr said instruction via TV will also help when the subject matter of a course is the same on both campuses.

Teaching a course such as American Government via TV wouldn't work, said Farr, because of the diversity of material presented by various instructors.

Omaha to Lincoln

Another benefit, said Farr, is that an expert on one campus will be able to teach students who are on another. Some of the courses transmitted from Omaha to Lincoln, said Farr, are administered out of Lincoln.

This semester's classes include industrial engineering, social work, and home economics.

Faculty members, said Farr, can decide whether or not they want to teach a class via television. He added that students can also choose not to take the course.

Storms-

Peterson said problems do arise if a storm interferes with a broadcast. He said when this happens they usually continue the audio portion of the class via telephone. Students, Peterson said, can all listen and talk to the teacher this way.

Farr expects teaching via TV to increase in the

"At the present time we don't have the facilities to do a great deal, (but) I suspect we will be doing a lot more

May become chancellor's quarters

Regents will decide use for \$230,000 Miller house

(continued from page 1) was having breakfast with then UNO Chancellor Ronald Roskens. Roskens is now the president of the University of Nebraska

"Roskens said 'Wouldn't it be nice if the chancellor had a home near UNO. and thought about if a Fairacres home became available," Miller said. "I never had any desire for the house, my brother and father had passed away, so I spoke to my mother and she had the papers drawn up."

Miller said the architects. John and Frank Latenser, developed the house in 1931, the same year they designed the Joslyn Art Museum.

He said the home has three fireplaces, a library, living room, full dining room, kitchen, utility room and a butler's

The upstairs contains two suites, each

with a bedroom and bathroom, and guest room with a bathroom.

There is also a housekeeper's apartment above the garage, he said, complete with living room, bedroom and bathroom.

Miller said after the regents' decision, he and his sister-in-law, Mrs. Charles L. Doane, will decide what to do with the furnishings.

"Under certain conditions some furniture may be given to the university if they want it," he said.

The home is insured for \$230,000, but Miller said the land and the house are probably worth more.

Miller is board chairman of the Omaha Natonal Bank, is a trustee of the University of Nebraska Foundation, and is on the UNO Chancellor's Advisory Council.

Neil Morgensen, director of Plant Management, said campus security will safeguard the home as soon as relatives of Miller living there depart.



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House in Fairacres . . . UNO chancellor may get a new home.

Up and Coming will appear in each week's Gateway. Information for publication should be in the Gateway office by 1 p.m. the preceding Friday. Due to space limitations, priority will be given to timely an-nouncements by student organizations.

Savage world

"The World of John Savage II," an exhibit of photographs from the collection of retired World-Herald photographer John Savage, will be at the

seum from Aug. 7 to Oct. 31. The museum, 801 South 10th St., is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and weekends from 1 to 5 p.m. Admission is \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children.

Hard sell

"Selling for Sales Personnel" seminar will be held at the Peter Kiewit Conference Center, 1313 Farnam St., Aug. 9 from 8;45 a.m. to 4:30

For more information,

Western Heritage Mu- call 554-3339; to register, call 554-2755.

Soft sell

A Sales Management seminar will be held at the Peter Kiewit Conference Center, 1313 Farnam St., Aug. 10 from 8:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The fee is \$135, with discounts to businesses sending three or more people. For more information, call 554-3339; to register, call 554-2755. —Real troupers

The Troupe, an Israeli film about life in an en-tertainment unit of the Israeli army, will be

shown at the Emmy Gifford Children's Theater, 3504 Center St. on Aug.

Center and the Jewish Cultural Arts Council, will start at 8 p.m. Ad-8. The film, sponsored by mission s \$2.50 for the the Jewish Community public, or \$2 for members

of the Jewish Community Center or the Jewish Cultural Arts Council. For reservations, call 334-8200.

Williamson appointed ...

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freeze period does not begin until Cox begins the full service it promised in the contract.

He said Cox has yet to initiate INDAX, which is one of those services.
INDAX will allow cable subscribers to do banking and some shopping through

their televisions. Cox has said INDAX will be available sometime this month. One issue the committee can work on

in the near future, said City Council President Bernie Simon, is whether or not Omaha and Douglas County should work together in developing public affairs programming for franchises outside the city limits.

Williamson said the eight-member committee must elect a chairman and get acquainted before they can begin to seriously advise the city council.

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Armfield returns after 7 months

Facilities are lacking for Chinese deaf, retarded

By James Langdon

After seven months in China, Dr. Aaron Armfield returned home with a lot of research and almost as many mosquito

Armfield, of UNO's Counseling and Special Education department, went to China in December to study 1,000 deaf and mildly mentally retarded children. He worked with the Canton School for the Deaf, and the primary school of South China Teachers College. He returned recently

Armfield said he learned of the relatively new special education programs in China during a visit there with University of Nebraska President Ronald Roskens in 1979.

He said that during the trip he asked repeatedly about the handicapped, but learned little until the group reached Canton. While Roskens led one group to visit Sun Yat-Sen University, Armfield's group toured South China Teachers College. It was here that he was pleasantly surprised when a faculty member asked, "What do you do about slow learning children?" This began a discussion which Armfield promised to continue through the mail after his return home.

Research proposal

His return to China was arranged by the University of Nebraska Foundation, which has a China committee, with members on all three campuses.

"I was nominated by the committee on this campus, and subsequently the main committee," said Armfield, "so I put together a proposal for research there."

He said it was significant that a research proposal was accepted by China for the exchange program, since Americans aren't doing too much research in



Gail Green/Gateway

Oriental visit . . . Armfield looks at map of China.

China.

"I was about the only person I know of in China for research. I was certainly the only person in the province," he said.

Chinese visit

The exchange program will tentatively bring a South China Teachers College faculty member to UNO for research and lectures in January.
Armfield said the Chinese were yery.

cooperative, and his accommodations were quite good by Chinese standards. But though his apartment was large, it had no heating or air conditioning, only cold running water and electricity.

"They had some really resourceful mosquitos," he said. Though he slept under mosquito netting, he said that more than once he had to get out his flashlight and hunt mosquitos at two in the morning after being awakened by bites.

Grey hands

When he began his research he was already aware of the lack of facilities for the mentally retarded in China. He said that some special care for the mildly mentally retarded had begun in 1979. And special facilities for the deaf and blind started around the turn of the century.

But in parts of China the care still consists of just keeping the retarded clean and well fed. He said this would be considered humane in many countries. but not by Omaha standards.

Accelerated population growth was

pushed during the Cultural Revolution of 1966-1976, according to Armfield, and this will present even more problems for China in the future.

Willie Nelson

He said an analogy for the Cultural Revolution in America would be "kind of like if the rednecks took over. Imagine if Willie Nelson really was made president.

Over the last five years, Armfield said, the Chinese government has worked at controlling the effects of the Cultural Revolution.

"I am really an admirer of Dung Chow Ping."

An example Armfield mentioned was a streamlining of the government and communist party structure. He said this is an example of how little the American people hear of China. He referred to the restructuring as a "major, major political

He said the presence of the government made it hard to make friends with the Chinese, since they must make regular reports of what they say and do.

Bats and lizards

Armfield was able to socialize with three Americans and one Irishman. He said they ate together and were given whatever food could be prepared in a

He said when he did eat at some restaurants, he would find himself eating next to oil and gas barrels as lizards ran by. Upon leaving one restaurant, he was nearly hit in the head as a bat flew by.

He said the hardest part about being there was that his family was at home. But he may also consider a return trip. Though the first trip was a success, he said "we have only just started something."

Morgue prostitution ring.

light Shift' called summer's sleeper

The idea behind Night Shift is simple, as is the movie itself: two enterprising young fellows put their extra evening hours and whatever extra space they can find at the city morgue to work. The only problem is that their "business" is prostitution.

A heavy topic you say? Hardly. Night Shift is one of the

night shift, and quietly begins to attend to his work. Enter now Billy Blaze, a self-proclaimed idea man whose ideas include edible paper (to eliminate garbage), and the feeding of mayonnaise to live tuna (as a sort of short-cut to making tuna salad). "The Blaze" records such ideas (along with other thoughts and random

reminders) in a pocket-sized tape recorder. It is the Blaze's idea to start up/the call girl business. after a local pimp is killed.

Lumley befriends Belinda (played by Shelley Long), one of the dead pimp's girls.

Belinda helps Chuck and Bill become the "business managers" for the girls who were left without a pimp.

All the girls love the arrangement, because they are able to make up to ten times what they did before. Chuck and Bill, acting as "agents" of the girls, ask for only a 10percent share of the action, compared to a pimp's 90percent share.

To tell any more would serve only to give away the plot of what is at times a hysterically funny film.

No matter what shift you work, it's worth it to see what

goes on during the Night Shift.

-Howard K. Marcus



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Review

sleeper comedy hits of the year.

Director Ron Howard took a plot that could have been a disaster and turned it into a delightful piece of entertainment.

-The film tells the story of former investment counselor Chuck Lumley (Henry Winkler) and his new co-worker at the morgue, the wild and crazy Billy "Blaze" Blazejowski (Michael Keaton).

Because the supervisor's nephew is hired to work the day shift at the morgue, Chuck gets demoted to the night Lumley accepts the fact that he will again be on the

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U.S. embargo hurts alliances

The European nations depend on America and they don't always like it.

They are also dependent on Middle East oil and, once again, dependent on the United States to keep the supply lines open.

Considering the instability of the Middle East, it's understandable why they want an alternative source of energy to be available through the Soviet gas pipeline.

A problem developed in June, however, when Ronald Reagan imposed a ban on the sale of American made equipment by Europeans to the Soviets. This equipment, already sold to the Soviets by contract, would help the Russians complete the pipeline.

Reagan set up the embargo in response to Soviet support of martial law in Poland.

This past week, Britain, one of America's most loyal allies, said the ban is "repugnant." The government told four British companies to ignore Reagan's embargo. Reagan's embargo would be understandable if he

simply wanted to keep the Soviets from getting our technology. But that is not the logic. If it were, Reagan would have stopped the sales long ago.

Instead, Reagan has imposed the embargo as a punishment for the USSR's policies towards Poland. It is a weak and ineffective punishment.

It will not work because the Soviets are determined to build the pipeline and the Europeans desperately want the energy.

Would the United States accept a European ultimatum that we not aid a Mexican oil transportation project? No. All the embargo does is hurt our relations with Europe.

Europe's resulting dependence on the Soviets will have to be dealt with, hopefully with tactful and devastating savvy.

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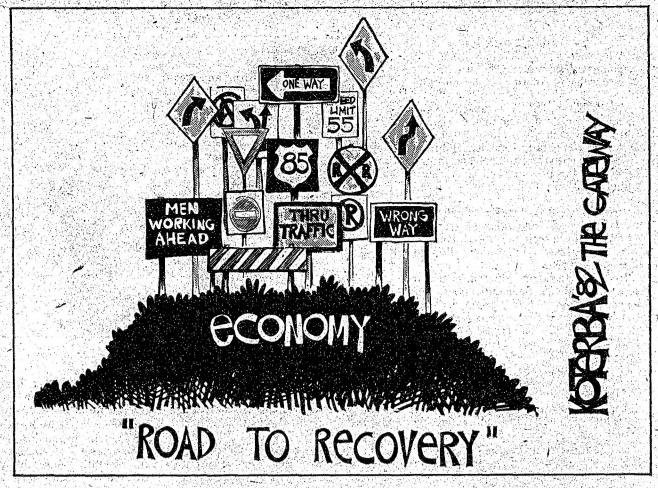
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U.S. cavalier in foreign affairs

It is a difficult thing to see from the American bad, but would it really do us in? Of course not, perspective, but I've come to the conclusion that the United States doesn't take the rest of the world seriously.

How else can one explain the ill-informed foreign policy that is the trademark of the Reagan Administra-

Let us not pick too much on Reagan, for he is more a product of matters than the cause. It is just that his administration, demonstrates the cavalier U.S. at-

Chris Thomas

titude. U.S. foreign policy is run as a kind of Yale Club activity: various elites play at it for awhile as a kind of hobby, but underneath it all they realize the U.S. has nothing to lose.

If one approaches the world from the perspective I suspect our leaders have since World War II, there is indeed nothing to fear except fear itself.

Tiny Latin American countries fascist or communist? It does not much matter. Poland invaded? We might blow a lot of rhetoric around, but it is of no real consequence. Western Europe crumbling? That's too

What threat is even the Soviet Union to us? To the rest of the world, perhaps. But invade us? What could possibly be gained?

Even the Soviet threat has to be exaggerated and the feat of communism whipped up by politicians for America to have a rival.

Russia has a gross national product a little more than half of ours, and is woefully overextended as it is. So what is the point of all this? I'm not too sure myself, actually. But realizing the true position of the

United States is a rather stunning thing. I'm not tooting the U.S. horn here; it may indeed be more a matter of shame than pride. And underrated dominance seems to provide an

explanation for our often shameful foreign policy. How many nations are we involved in, or should be involved in, that we even care about? El Salvador has become a matter of great liberal hype, and U.S. policy there is surely lousy.

But one can easily think of five, six, even 10 other Latin American countries in horrible shape, partly thanks to us. But do we care?

The U.S. foreign policy is a remote matter brought into play every once in a while. It's a bit like, say, news reports of starving masses in Africa.

One may come across Sally Struthers, face in the back of National Geographic every six months or so, and read occasionally about 50 refugees drowning at sea after looking for something better.

The point is not that we are too complacent, and we surely are. What is significant is that our com-placency is deserved — not morally of course, but politically. We are more of a dominant force than we usually realize.

And that's the danger. Our frequently unjust foreign policy is often justified on the grounds of the communist

The East-West is convenient for all of us. It provides a clear dichotomy, a basis for justifying everything we do that should not be justified.

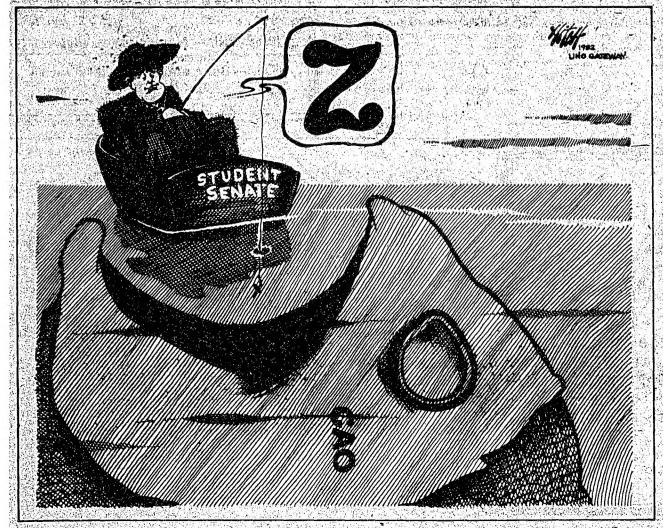
On a different level, U.S. foreign policy is overdriven by the need to survive as Israel's is.

There is little reason for the United States to fear for its survival. Perhaps the greatest threat—and a very small one at that — comes not from anyone else but from our very own foreign policy. A public angered by and mobilized against our foreign adventurism, is more of a threat than the Soviet Union.

If only we could realize the danger comes not from abroad, but in mocking our ideals, not from the Soviet Union, but from our own hypocrisy.

Letters •

I want to request a correction in the news story by James Langdon entitled "Auld Lang Syne' sung for Nixon, shuttlebus" which appeared in the June 18 issue of the Gateway. In this article, Mr. Langdon imples that I provided a threat to the football program 10 years ago by suggesting that the football program be dropped because of budgetary conditions at the uni-(continued on page 5)



Dead goldfish, man's scheme leads to kitten's death

Ezekiel Tacksworth fondled the small gray kitten that wandered into his backyard to catch goldfish from the concrete. fishpond. Her fur was soft, smooth and gentle, fine silk on waves of muscles and joints, rolling affectionately.

Goldfish were part of the sacred emblem of the Tacksworth family crest, and Exekiel Tacksworth saw to it that the Tacksworth family fishpond protected

the wall

the sanctity of their goldfish. The Kitten however, knew nothing of family crests or Tacksworthian dignity; she only knew of hunger and tasty goldfish.

Many, many times had Zeke watched the small gray kitten stalk the fishpond for goldfish. She would poise herself on a small concrete ledge and gaze into the mossy water with wide, excited kitten eyes. Fuzzy ears pointed upward and a single, tiny paw was lifted above the surface of the water. One lucky stab and the Tacksworthian family dignity was

Many times, from the same bathroom window, Zeke watched the same little kitten murder goldfish, and Zeke was helpless, for a man in a wheelchair cannot chase, much less catch, kittens. No, it was up to Zeke to devise a plan — a plan that would preserve the family goldfish.

Zeke thought like a kitten, "What would be nice after a goldfish lunch?" The next day, Zeke saw to it that a very nice china saucer filled with sweet cream was set on the back porch.

Zeke sat at the bathroom window all day until the kitten came. When she showed, Zeke's otherwise useless legs were shot through with thrills. His pulse quickened; he loosened his tie and collar. A broad, scheming smile spread across his old face as the kitten entered her routine. As another goldfish was killed. Zeke's smile spread wider than it had been for years — he shivered once, as if cold - and the teeth of his broad grin chattered.

What was one more dead goldfish on this day? This day was fed by a scheme, and Zeke wheeled himself to the back porch beside the saucer of cream.

Zeke now realized something he hadn't.

and only American hero.

before: this was the first time he had seen the kitten on open ground. No windows, walls or screens separated them now - they shared the wild, open air of the Tacksworth family backyard.

The kitten approached, and Zeke shivered with anticipation, as if stalked

The kitten slowed upon spotting a person. She did not know who Zeke was, nor was she aware that her meals had made anyone upset.

Zeke suppressed the smile that he felt so tempted to break. He feared that showing his teeth might frighten the kitten away. He swallowed a lump in his throat and called:

"Heeeeeere, kitty, kitty, kitty."

The kitten approached, but when Zeke giggled the cat slowed.

'Niiiiiice kitty! C'mon, kitty — here's a nice saucer of cream, just for you!"

The kitten rushed up and started into the cream, and Zeke rolled his chair back a bit, slightly startled at her courage.

"Niiiiiice kitty." Zeke picked her up "You like goldfish, do you?" He held her in his lap and affectionately scratched the tiny bumps behind her ears. The kitten purred and closed her eyes.

Zeke fit his old fingers around the curvatures of her small frame, and began to scratch the white patch of fur under her chin.

"Niiiiiice kitty," said Zeke as he gently held the kitten's four paws between the fingers of one hand while stroking her neck. He had her paws now; his scheme was nearly complete. He affectionately circled his thumb and forefinger around the kitten's neck.

Zeke let out a very tight, strained squeal as his hands simultaneously squeezed to their full strength: He felt her little muscles flex, but she was helpless. She meowed only once, and opened her eyes very widely, staring at Zeke before the lights went out.

From the backporch, it was posible for Zeke to fling the kitten's body over a fence into the vacant lot. After he had done so. he sighed once, to calm the adrenalin,

and dropped his head down as if to pray. Zeke looked at his lap. There on the gray pants of his otherwise useless legs, between the small clumps of scattered gray fur, the old, dry teardrops commenced falling.

lillionaire business executives are overpaid by firms

"hardly scandalously excessive." These men are under-

paid if they are half as good as we are day and night told

they are. The American businessman gets the same

unstinting praise as the commissar does in communist

lands. Newspaper and television hail him as the last

sinful amount of money primarily because of the success

of Pac-Man. That would be a triumph of sorts if Mr. Ross or one of his subordinates had designed Pac-Man

Nevertheless, behold Mr. Ross was paid this almost

By Nicholas Von Hoffman

When Steve Ross comes home after a day at the office does he kick off his shoes and grouse to his wife about what the plumber charges for fixing the sink? We trust that Mr. Ross has the good grace not to join the cranky choir of business executives moaning about the high price of labor.

Last year Mr. Ross, who works for Warner Communicatons, was paid \$22.554 million — that is not a misprint - for his labor. Forbes magazine, which annually records the compensation paid the heads of America's 798 largest firms, somewhat defensively points out that prize fighter Ray Leonard has been paid as much as \$13 million for one fight and that Mr. Wayne Newton is rewarded \$9 million for 37 weeks of what passes for singing at Las Vegas.

Taken together, the white men who run the corporations in the Forbes survey are paid somewhat more than a half a billion dollars, which, the magazine says, is Comment

or commissioned its design. But no. Pac-Man was imported from Japan. Stick the propaganda about the omniscient American businessman in the trash and consider a society that arranges to pay a man \$22 million for importing an electronic gobbling mouth.

The second highest paid American business executive is Charles Lazarus. He earned — the verb probably should be put in quotation marks — more than \$7.5 million last year selling toys. He is the head of Toys 'R' Us. What kind of nonsense is this in a country that is. worried silly about its adverse balance of trade, its unsatisfactory levels of productivity; its dearth of money for schools, medicine and building new homes?

In theory the American system rewards good businessmen and punishes bad ones, but the Forbes survey suggests that failure, or at least indifferent performance, pays the mediocre achiever very well. You would think that if a man were paid almost \$2.5 million that his company would have to have had an outstanding year. No. Mr. Robert Grohman at Levi Strauss saw sales grow at a slower rate than inflation and the price of the company's stock fall by about 50 percent. There is the

flagrant case at International Harvester where Archie McCardell got \$1.4 million while the company was losing hundreds and hundreds of millions. And what about the less spectacular, but perhaps more representative case of a million in compensaton to the head of Zerox at a time when the company is floundering, losing market dominance and its competitive edge?

Retired billionaire

If expressed in terms of 1982 dollars, Andrew Carnegie retired a billionaire several times over Given that he was instrumental in making America a world leader in steel manufacture, his riches were not "scandalously excessive." But perhaps the vastly more modest \$821,000 paid to David Roderick, who heads the U.S. Steel, is scandalous in the light of that company's increasing inability to compete.

His stockholders have seen flat dividends and the price of their investment drop by a third and we, as a nation, watch the step by step dismantling of a major and essential manufacturing enterprise. But does Mr. Roderick know how to make steel? His business background is finance, one of the buzz word professions like law or marketing.

Wrong backgrounds

These are the flim-flam occupations in which the people are not trained to manufacture solid, serviceable goods, Mr. Ross background is also finance, that is, he is trained to make deals, not merchandise. So perhaps men with the wrong backgrounds are being picked to head our companies. Could it be that the dipsydoodle artists get to the top while the doers, the production men, the line operations people, the technicians who know how, are being passed over?

A nation where men are paid \$22 million to import imaginary gobble mouths may someday find it has nothing to put in a real gullet.

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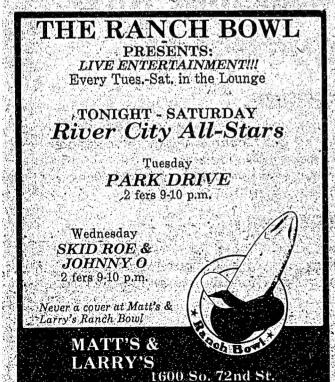
record straight.

Ten years ago, I served on the Athletic Committee. During that period, there was concern in the College of Arts and Sciences about budgets, and at a meeting of the department chairpersons a motion was made to recommend dropping football.

I learned of this action, and at the next Athletic Committee meeting I read this motion to the committee. At no time have I ever suggested that the football program be dropped. Therefore, it is difficult for me to see how I could be a threat to the program.

I do not wish to be aligned with Regent Robert Simmons on this issue.

James C. LaVoie





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Fun for the Whole Family

Sports:

UNO, Cox sign broadcast pact

Cox Cable of Omaha will broadcast 23 UNO athletic events on a delayed basis in the coming fall and winter, Cox and UNO jointly announced earlier this week.

The one-year contract includes the broadcasting of six home football games, seven men's basketball games, seven women's basketball games, one wrestling meet and two volleyball matches, which will be broadcast on Cox's Channel 9 on Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

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The Sept. 11 UNO-Kearney State football game will be the first event featured in the UNO package,

scheduled for broadcast on September 14.

"We look at this as another step forward for our program," UNO Athletic Director Don Leahy said. "This will allow more people to see our events and our athletes on a regular basis than ever before."

Jim Haller, sports director at Cox, feels the UNO sports package will be a solid base for his developing

locally-originated sports programs.

"This is our first venture into a regularly televised series of athletic events locally, and we're very excited about the package," Haller said.

"We're hoping to be able to bring major college sports to Omaha, and UNO is a very good sports college. It's a feather in our cap for UNO to allow us in to do this show."

Women's Athletic Coordinator Connie Claussen, whose Lady Mav programs will be getting their first (continued on page 7)

Braves, Phils picked in NL division races

By Bob Fenton

Last week's American League division picks (Kansas City and Baltimore) didn't draw any raves, but they didn't draw many tomatoes either.

As I promised, here is my outlook for the rest of the National League season:

The NL East could conceivably become a four-team race. The St. Louis Cardinals and Philadelphia Phillies are currently trading off the top spot but the Pittsburgh Pirates and Montreal Exposure not far off.

Opinion :-

The Cards, as usual, are getting good hitting, and their cast of unheralded pitchers is getting the job done. If ace reliever Bruce Sutter returns to his form of years past, the Cards will be tough to beat.

Though Mike Schmidt and Steve Carlton are having sub-par years, surprising performances from the likes of Bo Diaz have kept the Phillies in the race.

The bats are booming again in Pittsburgh, as an offense that leads the league in runs scored has pulled the Pirates within contention.

Conversely, the Pirates have allowed more earned runs than all other teams, but Manager Chuck Tanner has proven in the past that he can win without great pitching.

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Plans to coach cross country Hall overcomes accident

By Henry Cordes

Jim Hall, an All-American distance runner for UNO last fall, is out to prove something every time he laces up his shoes.

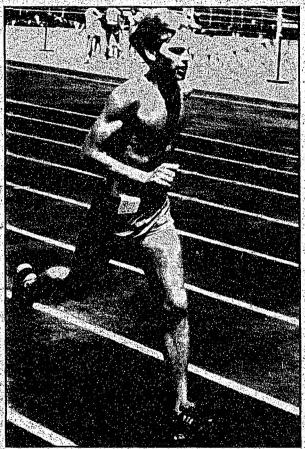
"I'm trying to show you can overcome pain and accidents and still be a winner," he said.

The accident for Hall came last December when

The accident for Hall came last December when his knee cap was broken in a head-on car accident. The pain not only came with the accident, but was self-inflicted over the following months as he struggled to rehabilitate the knee to be able to run again.

"It would have been easy to forget about running after the accident, but I don't take life easy like that," Hall said. "I like a challenge, and this is one hell of a challenge. If something is going to battle me, I'm going to battle right back."

Finally, it appears Hall is winning that battle. Since late April when he was able to run his first lap on a track, Hall has worked his mileage up to five to eight



্রি Gail Green/Gateway

Striding out . . . Hall runs on UNO's track.

In his first road run after the accident, Hall "N displayed some of his old form, winning the 10,000- again."

meter race in 32:22.

"It was a little too early, but I wanted to test my leg," Hall said of the race. "I was antsy from sitting around. The course was flat, and I felt pretty strong, but that was before my little accident."

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Hall's "little accident" was a bumping incident on the Westside High track in mid-June where he over-stretched the muscles in his bad knee.

It was a temporary setback, but it wasn't the only time the knee has bothered him. Rainy weather tends to stiffen up the knee.

In addition, the wire that was surgically used to hold his broken knee cap together is unraveling and may have to be removed.

"Every once in a while it gives me a little jab when

I'm running," said Hall.
"Mostly it bothers me
when I'm doing other
things."
"Hall is taking a most than

Hall is taking on another challenge in the fall. He and Steve Jones, another former UNO All-American, will coach the UNO cross country team.

"It surprised me when it.

"It surprised me when it was offered to us," Hall said. "It will give us a chance to show what we learned and what we know and to pass it on to others."



Hall

Hall expects the coaches will be setting up the vorkouts, and then running them with the team.

workouts, and then running them with the team.
"We're going to hurt if they hurt and feel what
they feel, and we'll know when they've done enough,"
he said: "We know what it's going to take to make them
All-Americans."

Though he has used all his cross country eligibility, Hall is looking to January when he expects to make up the year of track that the accident took away.

away.
"I was hoping before the accident to set conference, records in the 5,000 and 10,000; and I thought I had a good chance, but it was taken away," he said. "Now I want that chance again to come back and do it."

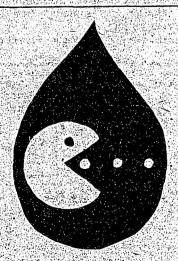
Hall showed last May just how far he'll go to reach that goal. He wanted to run a five-mile road run which began at UNO at 9 a.m., but he didn't get off work until a few minutes before.

Arriving ten minutes late, he jumped into the back of the pack at the one-mile mark, and finished the race as an unofficial entrant.

The end of the race was special for Hall because the last quarter mile was run on UNO's track — a track he had run hundreds of miles on before his accident.

"It gave me a good surge at the end," Hall said, "It made me feel I was back out for track.

"Next spring, I want to be burning that track up



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Reflective workout

Gail Green/Gateway

Debra Danielsen, a sophomore majoring in business, watches herself lift five-pound dumbells in the HPER building weight room. She's doing it as part of a body conditioning and weight training class taught by football

Cox Cable to broadcast UNO athletics

broadcast coverage ever, was also pleased with the agreement. "This is a giant boost for women's sports, not only at UNO, but for the community," she said.

Haller said he also contacted Creighton University about such a program, "but UNO is most willing at this time to get involved."

Haller said Cox also has plans to do some UNO spring athletics at this time. Though they have yet to be revealed, he said it will probably include some track and baseball broadcasts.

Haller feels there will be local interest in the program, and expressed his hopes that it will benefit UNO. "We'll sit down at the end of the contract and we won't continue unless we feel we've both benefited from

Haller said the series will initially be available to about 36,000 homes in the Omaha area. He said Channel 9 is included in the basic Cox Cable subscription.

football games included in the Cox contract are Sept. 18 against South Dakota State; Oct. 2 against South Dakota; Oct. 16 against Drake; Oct. 23 against North Dakota State; and the Nov. 13 regular-season final against Mankato State.

Men's basketball broadcasts will open with Elmhurst College on Nov. 19, followed by Emporia State, Dec. 3; South Dakota State, Jan. 7; Northern Colorado, Jan. 15; South Dakota, Feb. 5; North Dakota, Feb. 25, and North Dakota State, Nov. 26.

Women's basketball games will be in the Pepsi Classic tournament, Nov. 26, 27 and 28; College of St. Mary, Dec. 15; South Dakota, Feb. 5; North Dakota, Feb. 25; and North Dakota State, Feb. 26.

Cox will also broadcast the UNO Volleyball Invitational on Nov. 5-6 and UNO's Dual Invitational wrestling meet Jan. 29.

Fenton's picks

The Expos are a real mystery. They boast the best team ERA in the league and have better than average hitting, yet they are still struggling in the second

Whatever problems they had earlier are being worked out: Don't expect them to stay where they are.

The outlook in the East: the Cardinals are my personal favorite, but if Schmidt's bat wakes up, it could carry the Phillies for the last two months, which is what I think will happen. The Cardinals will hold off the latecharging Expos for second, while pitching problems will leave the Pirates fourth. The New York Mets won't be able to move up from fifth, even if the slumping George Foster finds his stroke. The Chicago Cubs will play to their usual form.

Just when it appeared the Atlanta Braves were ready to run away with the NL West, the Dodgers went and swept them in a four-game series last weekend. The odds are still with the Braves, but at least the Dodgers have proven they're still in the hunt.

American Express

The Braves should carry American Express cards. They set a record for the most consecutive wins opening a season, they have the best record in baseball, but are still unknowns — unless, of course, you have cable TV.

Living by the powerful bats of Dale Murphy and Rob Horner, the Braves built what up until last weekend was a comfortable lead.

One strike against the Braves is that few of them have ever experienced a pennant race before, which could make things interesting in the end.

The Padres have brought winning baseball to San Diego for the first-time in the club's 14-year history. A totally no-name staff has put the Padres where they are, but I don't expect them to stay there. They've been

slipping slightly in the last couple of weeks. Vets slumped

The Dodgers — you remember them don't you, the defending World Series champs—have been coming on recently, but they dug a big hole for themselves early when their vets all slumped at the same time.

Steve Garvey and Ron Cey will have to start driving in more runs for the Dodgers to have a chance.

As I see the West, the Braves will hold on for the title as a Dodger charge will fall short. The Padres will be third, ahead of the young and improving San Francisco Giants. A punchless attack (last in hitting, last in homers) will keep the Houston Astros from moving up. The Cincinnati Reds, who are getting a lot of hits but not when they're needed, will bring in the field.



Newspaper seeks fall staff

by Future Stardom

"Freedom of the Press was never more fun than at the Gateway," said Roger Catlin, reviewer for The Omaha World-Herald, of his experience with the UNO student newspaper.

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